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SUBJECT: W/W EILEEN F. DENFEY

REF: STATE 232519

1. CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST

2. POST HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH FATHER AND POLICE AUTHORITIES CONCERNING EILEEN DENFEY'S DECISION TO JOIN CHILDREN OF GOD MOVEMENT. LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE AND HAVE REPORTED THAT AFTER TWO POLICE OFFICERS INTERVIEWED HER ON TWO CONSECUTIVE DAYS IN ALL PRIVACY THEY ARE CONVINCED THAT EILEEN F. DENFEY JOINED AND REMAINS WITH THIS MOVEMENT OF HER OWN FREE WILL.

3. MR. DENFEY HAS CONSULTED LAW FIRM ON THIS ISSUE. LAYWER TOLD POST THAT HE HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH BOTH THE AMSTERDAM PUBLIC PROSECUTOR AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WITH HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE IN AMSTERDAM. BOTH EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT POLICE ACTION IS NOT DEEMED WARRANTED SINCE EILEEN F. DENFEY ACCORDING TO US STANDARDS IS AN ADULT AND HENCE, IS FREE TO JOIN ANY RELIGIOUS MOVEMENT AS GUARENTEED UNDER CEONCEPT OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM EMBODIED IN DUTCH CONSITUTION. THIS COINCIDES WITH WHAT WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY AUTHORITIES.

4. THE POST WAS ABLE TO REACH EILEEN DENFEY AT THE CHILDREN OF GOD MOVEMENT, SHE DECLINED TO CALL IN PERSON AT THIS CONSULATE GENERAL SINCE SHE HAD DISCUSSED HER CASE WITH TWO POLICE OFFICERS THE PRECEDING DAYS. SHE DID PROMISE TO CALL HER PARENTS AT THE SONESTA HOTEL.

5. LAWYER CONSULTED BY MR. DENFEY HAS ADVISED POST THAT THERE ARE NO LEGAL STEPS POSSIBLE.

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6. WE WILL KEEP THE DEPT INFORMED IF THERE ARE NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

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